Janice K. Brewer Governor Thomas J. Betlach Director

Dear Provider,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of recent changes to ADHS rules regarding licensure of health care institutions as well as changes to AHCCCS provider types as a result of these rules. Laws 2011, Chapter 96 required ADHS to adopt rules regarding health care institutions that facilitate licensing of "integrated health programs that provide both behavioral and physical health services." To comply with the statute, ADHS promulgated rules in Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.), Title 9, Chapter 10 and Chapter 20 to implement the statutory provisions. These rules became effective October 1, 2013.

The ADHS rule revisions combined both Level II and Level III Behavioral Health Residential Facilities into one residential health care facility referred to as a Behavioral Health Residential Facility.

To accommodate the rule changes made by ADHS, the AHCCCS Administration has established a new provider type for the Behavioral Health Residential Facility, B8-Behavioral Health Residential. This new AHCCCS provider type is a combination of both the Level II and Level III AHCCCS provider types previously identified as Alternative Residential Facilities (provider type 74) and Behavioral Health Residential (provider type A2). Please note that, despite the change in AHCCCS provider types, your AHCCCS provider identification number will not change.

The AHCCCS designation for the new provider type B8-Behavioral Health Residential will be effective with dates of service October 1, 2013.

For additional information describing the rule changes visit the ADHS website at:

- http://www.azdhs.gov/ops/oacr/rules/rulemakings/active/recent.php?pg=hci
- http://www.azdhs.gov/als/behavior/documents/behavioral-health-rule-change-faqshighlights.pdf# blank

If you have questions regarding your AHCCCS provider identification number, please contact the AHCCCS Provider Registration Department at the following numbers:

In Maricopa County: 602-417-7670 and select option 5 or Outside Maricopa County: 1-800-794-6862

If you have questions regarding billing, please contact the appropriate AHCCCS contractor.

Sincerely,

AHCCCS Provider Registration